UNIT

using apostrophes



That's mine! No it's not, it's the babies'

Focus

boy boy's boys boys'

Key Words

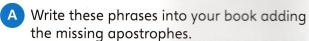
baby baby's babies babies'

child child's children children's If something belongs to someone we show this by putting an apostrophe before the s. This is called the possessive apostrophe. Possessive means belongs to. football Tom Tom's football













pony



1 Serens toys



cream

4 Stans ice

5 Finns puzzle

book

6 the womans shopping

Write phrases similar to A about your friends and something that belongs to them.

Extra

If something belongs to several people, we usually place the apostrophe after the s.

This is called the plural possessive.

boys

football

the boys' football

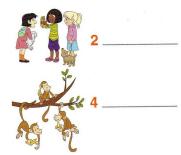
Remember, plural means more than one.

Write phrases about these plural nouns using an apostrophe to describe each picture. The first one is done to help you.



the boys' toys





Extension

To make a noun plural we usually add s or es, sometimes changing the final letter to i before adding es.

But for some nouns, the plural is a different word, like this:

singular plural man men child children

To make them **possessive** we put the apostrophe before the **s**.

children's men's

Copy these phrases, adding the apostrophe. Be careful! Some are singular and some are plural.

- 1 the mens muddy boots
- 3 the childrens new clothes
- 5 Petes kite
- 7 the clowns funny costume
- 2 the mices nests
- 4 the sheeps oily fleeces
- 6 the calves attentive mothers
- 8 the butterflies amazing colours